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## Price Laboratory School Mission —

The Code of Iowa states a "laboratory school shall mean a school operated by an education institution for the purposes of instructing students, training teachers and advancing teaching methods."

## Price Laboratory School fulfills this mission by:

- providing an excellent and innovative education for the Price Laboratory School children it serves from early childhood through grade twelve
- serving as an integral component of the teacher education program of the University of Northern Iowa
- engaging in scholarly work and service directed at advancing teaching practices, resources, and methods for teachers at state, national, and international levels

## Facts About PLS....

PLS has been in existence since 1883 when it was first established as a model school by James C. Gilchrist (first principal of the Iowa State Normal School. Price Laboratory School is the only laboratory school in Iowa; however, PLS is one of approximately a hundred laboratory schools in the U.S., and 43 laboratory school/university partnerships internationally. PLS is one of fifteen Lab Schools in the country with a comprehensive K-12 program.



# November Newsletter

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## Partnerships: Building Education Collaboratively

### Dear Parents and Supporters,

Over the past weeks, the faculty and staff at PLS has been busy preparing to host the National Association of Laboratory Schools Midwest Regional Conference. The theme of the conference was "Partnerships: Building Education Collaboratively." As I reflect on the conference, and on the central theme of collaboration, it becomes evermore clear that we cannot change education in isolation.

This conference was co-hosted by PLS and the Horace Mann Laboratory School at Northwest Missouri State University. Our welcoming address was delivered by Julie Creeden, President of the PLS Parents and Teachers in Partnership. Educators from Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Pennsylvania conducted concurrent sessions. Local businesses provided a variety of support for this effort, and several University of Northern Iowa professors and administrators made presentations.

In each case, these efforts represent partnerships. Partnerships are formed between schools, between schools and their universities, schools and their parents, and schools and their respective communities. This is such an exciting time to be involved in education. Educational concepts and the technological delivery of education have changed greatly in the past decade and will continue to evolve. As a laboratory school we are in the vanguard of that change, but we must never lose sight of the fact that in order to lead, we must have partners in this effort. We must also continue communicating our mission so that all of you who are involved in these various partnerships are aware of the school's goals and direction.

My "thank you" to all of our partners, not just those who assisted in the presentation of this conference, but for those who offer continued support as we move through these exciting times.

— Wendell McConnaha, PLS Director





# BENEFIT AUCTION - NOVEMBER 5



(l-r) Keri Leymaster, High School Student Council President: Holding the framed print donated by Tatiana Ivaschenko Jackson. Thomas Creeden, Elementary Student Council President: Holding the framed print donated by Gary Kelley, framing donated by Twin Oaks. Jordan Landau, Middle School Student Council President: Holding the framed print donated by Steve Carter.

The Alumni & Friends of Price Lab School, along with the Parents and Teachers in Partnership, are holding their banquet & benefit auction on Friday, November 5, at 6:00 p.m. in UNI's Maucker Union Expansion. For those of you who have other commitments on that evening, we would like to extend to you the option of submitting an absentee bid on any of our auction items.

Each of the elementary classrooms have created class projects, which are on display in the lobby display case, as well as the case directly across the hall from the faculty lounge. AN ENTIRE LISTING OF EVERY AUCTION ITEM WILL ALSO BE ON DISPLAY. We welcome you to visit these displays and use an "absentee bid" form that is available for you to pick up in the office. There is a silver box clearly labeled, "AFPLS/PTP Benefit Auction Absentee Bids," sitting on the counter in the office, as well as absentee bid forms to use. Simply fill out your bid form and place it in the box no later than 3 p.m., Friday, November 5.

Thanks to all of you who sent in items for the classroom "Theme Baskets" as well. We were able to use these items, both great and small, and create 16 lovely gift baskets to be auctioned. The committee was overwhelmed by your generosity and support! — *The AFPLS/PTP Auction Committee*

## AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

November  
14-20, 1999

Students  
Today  
Leaders  
Tomorrow



### ISRA

The Iowa School  
Public Relations  
Association

## Guidance Department

### Guidance Scholarships

Annika Rodriguez Scholarship for Hispanics  
Skidmore Merit Scholarships - Math and Science  
American Legion National Oratorical Contest  
Washington Crossing Foundation  
Discover Card/Tribute Award Scholarship  
Iowa Farm Bureau Federation Scholarship  
Educational Communications Scholarship  
USD Theatre Scholarship

**PLAN Test Date** - November 9, NUHS Library

**Financial Aid Night** for juniors, seniors and their parents will be on November 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the ICN room.

**ACT Prep Seminars** initially scheduled for September and October have been postponed to the following dates: November 15, 22, 29 and December 6. Students interested should contact the Guidance office. — *Jim Stichter, Secondary Counselor*



# Announcements

## Winter Clothing

As the weather begins to cool down, I want to provide you with a reminder concerning winter clothing for Price Lab students. It is our policy to continue outdoor recess during the winter months so students get the physical activity and the fresh air they need. We do keep them inside when the weather is very bad but that only occurs a few times each winter. Elementary students should come to school with winter coats, gloves or mittens, and boots. We do not accept blanket excuses to keep them indoors for long periods of time without extenuating circumstances that dictate this. If students are too sick to go outside you might want to consider if they are well enough to be in school at all.

## Student Fees

The PAC is currently considering a recommendation to raise fees at Price Laboratory School to \$195.00 per year. This is an increase of ten dollars over the current fees. The existing fees have been in place for five years without an increase. If you have any input you would like to give on this matter, please call one of your PAC committee members.

## Absence/Tardy Policy

We inadvertently left a rather important piece out of the absence/tardy section of the current handbook. This part deals with absences and tardies due to vehicle failure (i.e. flat tires, dead batteries, etc.). What was in past handbooks and should have been in this handbook, was the explanation that students can only receive one excused absence/tardy due to vehicle failure per semester. Allowing more than this generally invites a misuse of this excuse on

the part of some students. Additional tardies or absences experienced by a student during a given semester will be considered unexcused, and the consequences will follow what is published in the handbook.

## Handling Potential Threats To Our School

Last year we set up a hot line to allow parents or students to call in and leave a message if they felt the safety of our students was in jeopardy. After last year's tragedy at Littleton, Colorado, several members of that community stated they had heard threats being made but never did anything about it because they didn't think the perpetrators would actually do anything. We don't ever want to say that here. This is a reminder that our phone line is still working. If you or your child ever hears a threat that you feel has the potential for violence at Price Lab / NU High please call 273-7665. All tips will be investigated and all tips will be strictly confidential.

## Good Sportsmanship Policy

NU High and Middle Schools has recently adopted a good sportsmanship policy model proposed by the Iowa High School Athletic Association. This policy is intended to stem the tide of poor sportsmanship and over zealous fans that seems to be increasing statewide. As a part of this policy, schools have the right to ban fans exhibiting these negative behaviors from all future contest, whether they be **home or away**. The North Iowa Cedar League (all the schools in our conference) have agreed to enforce this policy by providing reciprocity in terms of removing fans from a visiting school that have been identified as violators of this policy. As we begin to enter this winter sports season, please keep this in mind and demonstrate nothing but the best sportsmanship in the conference right here at NU. — *John Krumholz, Principal*

## PLS Parent Teacher Conferences November 11 and 12

On Thursday, November 11, conferences will be held for grades N/K-12 from 12:00-8:00 p.m. with high school conferences in the field house from 4:00-8:00 p.m. On Friday, November 12, conferences will be held for grades N/K-12 with high school conferences in the field house from 9:00 a.m. to noon. N/K-8 students will not have school on either day, while grades 9-12 will have classes on Thursday but not on Friday.

## Athletics

### New NU Sportswear

Stop in Terry's office  
and see the T-shirts, hats  
and sweatshirts that  
have arrived.



# Music



## The Price Lab Singers

The elementary chorus, better known as the Price Lab Singers, has been hard at work, preparing for our first concert, Thursday, December 2. Our concert will be in the Butzier auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

The members of the Price Lab Singers include:

Sriya Subramani  
Jeni Klaasen  
Stephanie Rapp  
Tiffani McCombs  
Rhiannon Talbot  
Jenny Hills  
Sheila Mousavi  
Carrie Kolar  
Enora Wu  
Kristina Cook  
LaSandra Vaughn  
Elizabeth Brumm  
Alexaundria Wiechers  
Alayna Rasmussen  
Jay Miller  
Dani Jo Glaspie  
Jenna Cornelius  
Tenille Backstrom  
Hanna Weisley  
Molly Warren  
Chondraah Holmes  
Ian Campbell  
Nicky Singh  
Jordan Bachman  
Corey Holmes  
Carson Turner  
Ben Peterson  
David Nielson

Cole Highnam  
Justin Timpany  
Brandon Richmond  
Ben Kishman  
Rachel Biedermann  
Chelsea Findlay  
Andy Tallakson  
Dylan Diemer  
Kenton Engels  
Ellen Thomson  
Kayti Hundley  
Joe Clark  
Jeremy DeGuzman  
Seth Candee  
KC Reglein  
Louis Hilgemann  
Brian Harrington  
Tommy Woods  
Andrew Boody  
Corey Carter  
Justin Plasket  
Kelsey Reuter  
Andrew Mallon  
Robb Klassen  
Erik Anderberg  
Dylan Klenske  
Jovan Creighton

Our spring semester will be busy, too, as we have been invited to sing at the Beginning Reading Conference at UNI on Friday, April 14, 2000. Our final concert for the year will be on Tuesday, May 16 with the middle school and high school choral groups. Please join us on December 2!

— Michelle Swanson, Elementary Music

## Kudos

**Dr. Leonard Upham**, PLS band director and music department chair, will be recognized by the Iowa High School Music Association at the Iowa All-State Music Festival Concert on Saturday, November 20, in Ames. The I.H.S.M.A. has developed a Teacher Tenure Award to recognize persons who have spent a significant number of years instructing Iowa high school musicians. Now in his 37th year of teaching Iowa high school musicians, Dr. Upham will be given the 35-year Teacher Tenure Award.

## High School Concert

November 9, 1999

7:30 p.m.

Butzier Auditorium

Choir, Band, and Orchestra

## NU Band Students Selected for NICL North Conference Honor Band

Thirty NUHS band students have been selected for the NICL Conference Honor Band festival hosted by Wapsi Valley Schools on November 16, 1999. The students will rehearse during the day and perform in a concert beginning at 7:00 pm. The following students have been selected:

**Flutes:** Lynden Davis and Bethany Richter

**Oboe:** Lacey Brakebill

**Clarinets:** Mary Edith Bozylinsky, Drew Sawyer, Mallory Piehl, Katy Lyman, Kate Brumm, Amanda Brasch, Jade McAdams, and Kelsey Schmidt

**Bass Clarinet:** Julie Cufur

**Contrabass Clarinet:** Kristen Spain

**Tenor Saxophone:** Jeff Fisher

**Baritone Saxophone:** Ben Oleson

**Trumpets:** Anne Thompson, Nathaniel Ohrt, Erin Goecke, Carlin Dorris, and Jillian Doddema

**French Horn:** Steve Shelton

**Trombones:** Kristy Reimer, Scott Will, and Neal Preuss

**Euphoniums:** Josh Secor and Nathaniel Wieck

**Tubas:** Michael Piehl and Emily Hanson

**Percussionists:** Jeremy McAdams and Tim Corbin

THE BROWN BOTTLE



# November 1999

## Malcolm Price Laboratory School Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> VB Regionals TBA 8:00p NU Singers Reh	<b>2</b> ITBS Test (Week of 11/1 - 11/5) 6:00p PTP MTG in Library 7:00p PAC Mtg in Library	<b>3</b> Football First Round ITBS Test (Week of 11/1 - 11/5)	<b>4</b> VB Regionals TBA ITBS Test (Week of 11/1 - 11/5) 7:00a Jazz Bd/Ch Orch Reh 7:00a -7:50 Math Counts Rm 152 3:10p -4PM Math Counts Rm 152	<b>5</b> GSW State @ Fort Dodge Fall Play Performance ITBS Test (Week of 11/1 - 11/5) AFPLS Fall Banquet (Union or Ballroom)	<b>6</b> GSW State @ Fort Dodge Fall Play Performance
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Football Quarterfinals GBB Practice Begins 3:15p -4:30 PLS Teacher Institute Teaching 7:00p Booster Club Meeting In Lounge 8:00p NU Singers Reh	<b>9</b> 8:00a -12:00 PLAN (PLS Library) 7:30p HS Band/CH/Orch Concert	<b>10</b> 11:30p 12:00 MS Choir Lunchtime Concert	<b>11</b> VB State @ Cedar Rapids Model St Legislature NK-12 Conferences NO NK-3 Classes Only 7:00a Jazz Bd/Ch Orch Reh 7:00a -7:50 Math Counts Rm 152 3:10p -4PM Math Counts Rm 152	<b>12</b> VB State @ Cedar Rapids Football Semifinals Model St Legislature NK-12 Conferences - NO Classes	<b>13</b> VB State @ Cedar Rapids Football Semifinals Model St Legislature
<b>14</b> Model St Legislature	<b>15</b> BBB Practice Begins BSW Practice Begins Model St Legislature 6:30p -8:30 ACT Seminar 8:00p NU Singers Reh	<b>16</b> Model St Legislature 7:00p NICL Instrumental @ Fairbank	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> All-St Music Fest @ Ames 7:00a Jazz Bd/Ch Orch Reh 7:00a -7:50 Math Counts Rm 152 3:10p -4PM Math Counts Rm 152 6:30p Winter Sports Kick-Off 7:00p -8:00 7th Gr Parent Mtg-Faculty Lounge	<b>19</b> Football State All-St Music Fest @ Ames	<b>20</b> All-St Music Fest @ Ames
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> BB Girls Jamboree at West High School 6:30p -8:30 ACT Seminar 8:00p NU Singers Reh	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Thanksgiving break	<b>25</b> Thanksgiving break 7:00a -7:50 Math Counts Rm 152 3:10p -4PM Math Counts Rm 152	<b>26</b> Thanksgiving break	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> BB Boys Jamboree at Columbus High School 6:30p -8:30 ACT Seminar 8:00p NU Singers Reh	<b>30</b> 6:00p -9:00 Financial Aid Night in ICN Room 6:30p BB vs Tripoli(2 Girls)				



# NORTHERN UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL WINTER SPORTS PROGRAM

-----1999 - 2000-----

## BASKETBALL - BOYS VARSITY

Nov	29	Jamboree	Columbus	TBA
Dec	3	Gladbrook-Reinbeck	Home	6:30
	4	Denver	Home	<b>5:30</b>
	7	Wapsie Valley	Fairbank	6:30
	11	Vinton (2 Boys)	Home	<b>5:30</b>
	14	Hudson	Home	6:30
	17	Dike-New Hartford	Dike	6:30
	21	Aplington-P-Burg	P-Burg	6:30
Jan	4	Union	Home	6:30
	7	Jesup	Jesup	6:30
	11	Gladbrook-Reinbeck	Reinbeck	6:30
	14	Denver	Denver	6:30
	18	Wapsie Valley	Home	6:30
	21	GMG	Home	6:30
	28	Hudson	Hudson	6:30
Feb	1	Dike-New Hartford	Home	6:30
	4	Aplington-P-Burg	Home	6:30
	8	Union	LPC	6:30
	11	Jesup	Home	6:30
	15	GMG (2 Boys)	Garwin	6:30
	21	Districts	Home	7:00
	23	Districts	Home	7:00
	29	Districts	TBA	
Mar	1	Districts	TBA	
	4	Substate	TBA	
	13-17	State	Des Moines	

## SWIMMING - BOYS VARSITY

Dec	4	Newton Inv	Newton	9:00am
	11	CF Inv	Holmes	12:30
	14	Williamsburg	E. Pool	6:30
	17	Vinton/Decorah	Vinton	5:00
Jan	4	E Waterloo/Decorah	Central	6:00
	8	West High Inv	Central	10:00am
	14	Vinton	E. Pool	6:00
	18	Grinnell/Williamsburg	Grinnell	7:00
	20	West High	E. Pool	6:00
	24	Charles City	E. Pool	6:00
	27	Cedar Falls	Holmes	6:15
	29	NCS Conference	Decorah	1:00pm
	12	Districts	TBA	
	19	State	TBA	

## BASKETBALL - FRESH/SOPH

Nov	30	Tripoli(2 Girls)	Home	6:30
Dec	9	Denver	G-Den-B-H	6:30
	10	GMG (2 Girls)	Home	6:30
	11	Vinton (2 Boys)	Home	<b>5:30</b>
	13	Union	G-H,B-LPC	6:30
	16	Gladbrook-Reinbeck	G-Rein,B-H	6:30
	20	Wapsie Valley	G-Fairbk,B-H	6:30
Jan	8	Denver	G-H,B-Den	9:00am
	10	Jesup	G-Jesup,B-H	6:30
	13	Peet (9 <sup>th</sup> B/G)	G-Peet	3:45
			B-Peet	5:30
	15	Hudson	B-H	9:00am
	15	Hubbard-Rad (2 Girls)	G-Hubb	<b>5:30</b>
	20	Wapsie Valley	G-H,B-Fairbk	6:30
	22	Hudson	G-Hudson	9:00am
	25	Aplington-P-Burg	B-P-Burg	6:30
	27	Aplington-P-Burg	G-Home	6:30
	31	Hudson	G-H,B-Hud	6:30
Feb	3	Union	G-Dysart,B-H	6:30
	5	North Tama (2 Girls)	Home	<b>5:30</b>
	7	Dike-NH	G-H,B-Dike	6:30
	10	Aplington-P-Burg	G-Pburg,B-H	6:30
	15	GMG (2 Boys)	Garwin	6:30

## BASKETBALL - MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dec	7	Hudson	G-Hud, B-H	4:00
	17	North Tama	G-H,B-Traer	4:00
	21	Dike-N Hartford	G-H,B-NH	4:00
Jan	4	Grundy Center	G-GC,B-H	4:15
	11	Aplington-P-Burg	G-H,B-Apl	4:15
	18	Dike-New Hartford	G-NH, B-H	4:00
	21	Denver	G-Denver	4:00
	28	Glad-Reinbeck	G-Glad,B-H	4:00
Feb	1	Denver	G-H,B-Den	4:00
	8	Hudson	G-H,B-Hudson	4:00

## BASKETBALL - GIRLS VARSITY

Nov	22	West High Jamboree	West High	TBA
	30	Tripoli(2 Girls)	Home	6:30
Dec	3	Gladbrook-Reinbeck	Home	6:30
	4	Denver	Home	<b>5:30</b>
	7	Wapsie Valley	Fairbank	6:30
	10	GMG (2 Girls)	Home	6:30
	14	Hudson	Home	6:30
	17	Dike-New Hartford	Dike	6:30
	21	Aplington-P-Burg	P-Burg	6:30
Jan	4	Union	Home	6:30
	7	Jesup	Jesup	6:30
	11	Gladbrook-Reinbeck	Reinbeck	6:30
	14	Denver	Denver	6:30
	15	Hub-Rad (2 Girls)	Hubbard	<b>5:30</b>
	18	Wapsie Valley	Home	6:30
	21	GMG	Home	6:30
	28	Hudson	Hudson	6:30
Feb	1	Dike-New Hartford	Home	6:30
	4	Aplington-P-Burg	Home	6:30
	5	North Tama (2 Girls)	Home	<b>5:30</b>
	8	Union	LPC	6:30
	11	Jesup	Home	6:30
	14, 19	Districts	TBA	
	22,25-26	Regionals	TBA	
Mar	6-10	State	Des Moines	



**Parent Advisory Council Minutes  
of  
October 12, 1999**

The PAC met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on October 12, 1999, in the school library.

The reading of the Minutes of the last meeting was waived and the Minutes as published were approved.

The agenda for the meeting was distributed and approved.

The first item of business discussion was the use of the U. N. I. Wellness Center by PLC students and family members. As the University's policy for use for the Wellness Center was not clear, a member of the PAC volunteered to contact the University to secure a copy of the University's policy. The PAC member will report to the PAC at its November meeting.

John Krumbholz reminded the council of the in-service date to be held on October 22, 1999. He advised that the day of in-service was being held in conjunction with a meeting of members of the Midwest Regional Branch of National Laboratory School Association.

The Administration's suggested student activity fees for the 1999-2000 was presented. The Administration is proposing that the student activity fees be increased by ten dollars (\$10.00) per year to the sum of one hundred ninety-five dollars (\$195.00) per year per student. The student activity fees for the 1998-1999 school year were based on an average of the student activity fees for the prior five years. Accordingly, although modified, activity fees have not resulted in an increase of revenue to PLS for five years.

After discussion, the PAC decided that the parents of PLS students should have an opportunity to have input concerning the fee increase. A Notice of the increase of the student activity fees will be published in the school newsletter and the PAC will vote on the matter at its November meeting.

A discussion was held concerning some of the activities that took place at the Homecoming Dance. A faculty member told John Krumbholz that it was felt that some of the student activities and dancing were inappropriate. Questions were then raised concerning appropriate attire both at school and at school functions, including athletic events and dances.

The PAC concluded that a number of steps could be taken to address these concerns. It was decided that it would be helpful if, prior to an event, the school could anticipate potential issues and concerns, empower the chaperones to take appropriate actions as the situation warrants, and advise parents and students of the consequences of inappropriate activity.

To help determine what is inappropriate conduct and attire, the Student Council will be requested to provide input concerning contemporary activities and attire.

John Krumbholz advised the PAC that the Administration is investigating alternative sites to hold commencement activities. The PAC suggested that the Oster- Regent Theater, the Gallagher Bluedorn Auditorium, the Mauker Union, and the Strayer-Wood Theater be considered.



Concerns about the school lunch program were again discussed. The primary problems seemed to be that:

1. the servers run out of some items; and
2. lunches served, are not what had been published to be the lunch for that day.

John Krumbholz advised the committee that he had recently changed the forms that are given to teachers in the morning. Formerly, the students were asked if they were going to have "hot lunch or cold lunch"; now in addition to that question, the teachers are requested to also ask which of the entrees the students will be choosing.

John explained that occasionally it was necessary to deviate from the published menu because the menu is prepared and published a month in advance and deliveries of food items are occasionally delayed.

A discussion was held concerning the confusion of the Open House for the Middle School and High School.

Although scheduled, the Open Houses were not attended by many faculty members due to miscommunication of the need and the scheduled date. It was generally felt that the best type of meetings for parents and faculty differed significantly between the elementary, middle, and high school grade levels.

John Krumbholz said that both the type and the timing of the respective meetings would be reviewed and be better communicated to parents in the future.

A member of the PAC advised the Council that she had been advised by a faculty member that there was a shortage of text books for that faculty member's class. John Krumbholz said that he was unaware of any shortage of textbooks and that if such a shortage existed, it would be remedied immediately. He stated very clearly that text books would be acquired and provided as needed.

A general discussion was held concerning the acquisition of textbooks. The PAC was advised that the various departments of the school are annually provided funds to purchase necessary materials and that on a rotating basis additional funding is provided for replacement of textbooks. The departments and the individual teachers then make decisions of what texts should be purchased and when the acquisitions shall be made.

The purpose of a school Honor Roll was discussed and John Krumbholz advised that the Honor Roll would be published.

Nadine Davidson explained the need for and the current procedure for providing letter grades to Middle School students and parents. She said that to help prepare students for the letter grading process in high school, faculty members of eighth grade students provide letter grades for both the third and the fourth nine-week periods.

Having determined that the next PAC meeting would be held on November 2, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the school library, the meeting was, after proper motion, second, and unanimous vote, adjourned.



## PLS/NUHS PTP MEETING MINUTES - OCTOBER 5, 1999

President Julie Creeden, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the auditorium.

Introductions: Mr. Krumbholtz, Principal, introduced new faculty to those in attendance.

Minutes of September Meeting: Julie read the minutes of the September 1999 meeting. The minutes were approved, as read.

Treasurer's Report: Julie reported that with \$3,681.77 left over from last year, we have a balance of \$8,809.16 in PTP funds. There are currently no bills to pay.

PLS Family Directory: The directory is on hold until after the auction, but will definitely go forward.

Disbursement of PTP funds: Julie has printed out "grant" forms, and distributed to faculty and staff. They are to explain what they would like to be funded. The forms are due back on November 5th. A committee has been formed to go through the applications, but volunteers are still welcome to serve on the committee.

Plastic storage containers for carnival: At the September meeting, Amy Bower, last year's carnival chair, had requested that PTP consider funding a purchase of storage containers to store and organize carnival items. In preparation for the upcoming auction, it was decided that storage containers were needed for the auction. Brenda Kirkpatrick generously purchased the containers and is donating them for our use with the auction, and then the carnival.

American Education Week: The theme this year is, "Students Today, Leaders Tomorrow." Volunteers are still welcome to serve on the committee to honor PLS/NU faculty and staff during American Education Week.

Banquet: The AFPLS/PTP Banquet and Auction will be held on Friday, November 5th. If you haven't received a newsletter with details, you will soon. In addition to the registration form in the newsletter, each family will also be receiving an additional invitation with which to return, indicating how many will be attending, and meal choice.

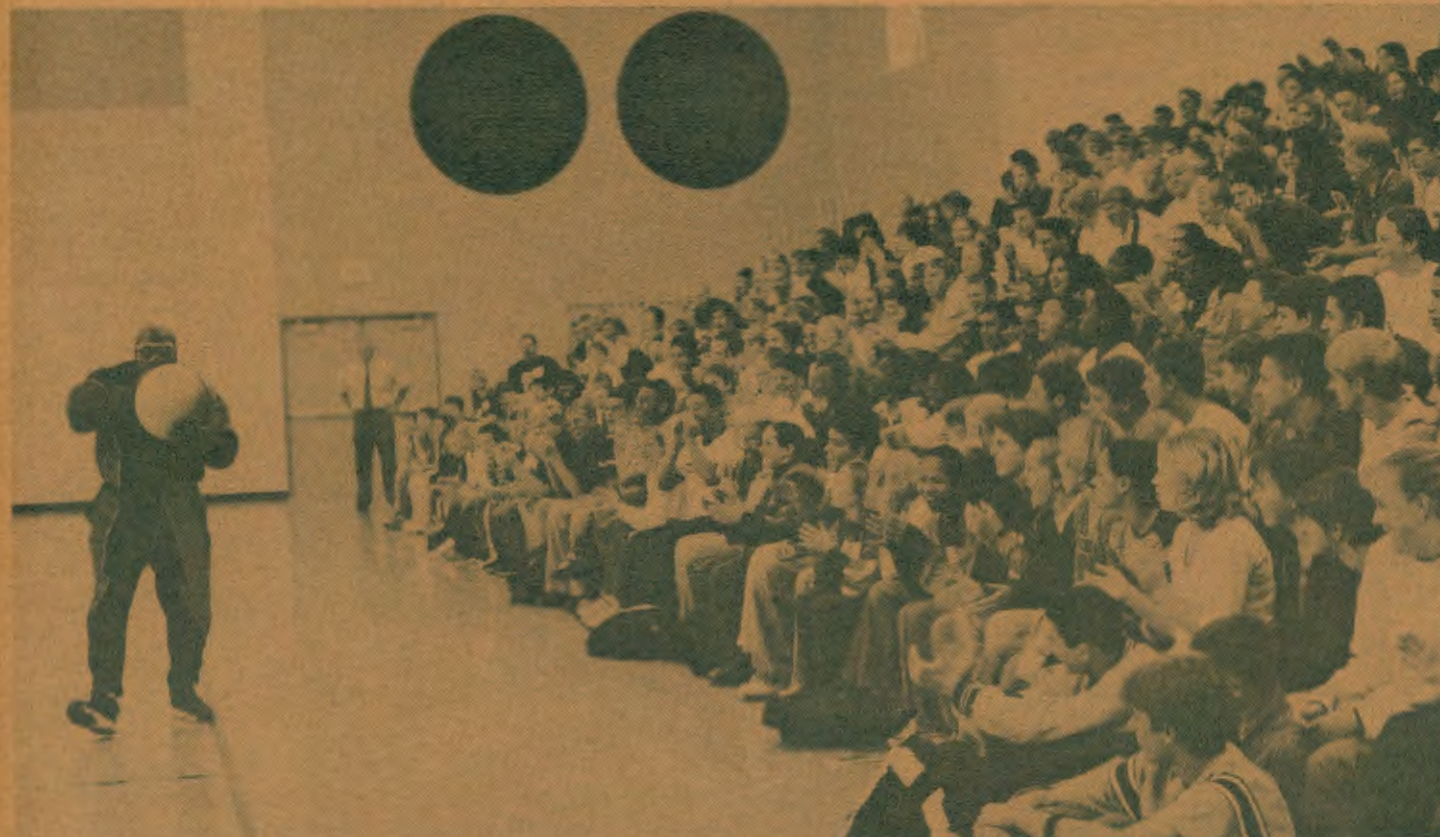
PAC Meeting: The monthly PAC meeting usually follows the PTP meeting, with the exception of tonight. The PAC meeting will be held next Tuesday night, October 12, 1999, in the library. On the agenda is viewing a video featuring speaker, Wilard Daggott. The faculty and staff had the opportunity to see the video during orientation, and Mr. Krumbholtz encourages as many parents to see it as possible. Mr. Krumbholtz will schedule another time to see the video, for those who aren't able to make it on October 12th.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the PTP will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 1999 at 6:00 P.M. in the library, followed by the PAC meeting at 7:00.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.



# PLS/NU Students Enjoy Presentation by the Power Team



*NU students are entertained as they observe a member of the Power Team perform a physical feat during a school assembly.*

This past month NU students participated in an entertaining and motivational assembly presented by the Power Team. The Power Team is a group of athletes who provide positive role models and offer inspirational presentations in schools across the

country. They encourage the youth of today to be Dream Makers instead of Dream Breakers. Their message encourages students to make the best of their lives, make good choices and to stay away from gangs, drugs and alcohol and the wrong friends. During

the assembly, the presenters performed various athletic feats and motivational activities to inspire students and promote self-esteem. The assembly was funded with Drug-Free school funds. — *Coach Neil Phipps, Student Coordinator*

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## Kudos

**Lowell Hoeft** has received the Iowa Foreign Language Association award for outstanding teaching at the high school level. He will receive a plaque in recognition of this honor. Previously, Mr Hoeft also received a similar award for outstanding teaching in the state of Wisconsin.

**Jim Sweigert** presented two conference sessions, "Less Commonly Taught Languages in the Twenty-First Century" and "Task-Based Scenarios for the Foreign Language Classroom" at the recent Iowa Foreign Language Association's Annual conference in Ames Iowa. He also directed the first-ever meeting of the Iowa Council of Teachers of Russian, a professional organization for Russian language and area studies instructors.

— **Martin Bros.** —  
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## French Students Earn Honors

On Saturday, May 1, the top French students in the state of Iowa assembled at Central College in Pella for the annual French speaking contest. These students were chosen from 1200 students who participated in a written exam taken in the month of March. Based on the written test, only thirty students participated in the oral competition.

Eight Northern University High School students qualified for the oral competition, but only four were able to attend due to prior commitments. Those participating were Peter Behroozi, Jason Brash, Matt Girsch and Christopher Hardy. Each student was required to have a personal interview in French, present a memorized literary selection and be part of a quiz bowl where questions on language and culture were asked. Christopher Hardy placed first and Matt Girsch earned second place honors. Each winner received a certificate and a book on French culture.

NU students will have the opportunity to participate in both the written and oral contests in the spring of 2000.

— Lowell Hoeft, Modern Languages

## Theatre

# Twelve Angry Jurors

November 5 and 6 at 7:30 p.m.

The Theatre Department of Northern University high School is proud to present its fall production *Twelve Angry Jurors* written by Reginald Rose and adapted by Sherman L. Sergel. Production dates are November 5 and 6 at 7:30 p.m. in Butzier Auditorium of Malcolm Price Laboratory School. Tickets are \$3.50 for students and senior citizens and \$4.00 for adults. Tickets will soon go on sale as of Monday, October 18. They can be purchased in the Language Arts office (room 220), by phone at 319/273-6047, or at the door the evening of the performances. All tickets are for general admission. There is no reserved seating.

*Twelve Angry Jurors* is a dramatic, fictionalized account of what goes on within a jury room as jurors decide upon the guilt or innocence of a defendant who has been charged with first degree murder. In writing the play, Mr. Rose

attempted to blend four elements which he had seen at work in his own experience during jury service: interpretation of the evidence, juror to juror relationships in a life-and-death situation, the emotional patterns of the jurors, and the

physical problems of the setting. According to Mr. Rose, "What *Twelve Angry Jurors* has to say about democracy, justice, social responsibilities, and the pressure of the times upon the people who live them has some importance..."

*Twelve Angry*

*Jurors* is produced by

special arrangement with The Dramatic Publishing company. Stage manager for the play is Amerial Bales. Director of the production is Jolene Tagtow.

— Jolene Tagtow,  
Language Arts/Theatre

## Student Media Release

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# Middle School Activities

## Iowa Tests of Basic Skills

Middle School students have been preparing to take Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS). Sixth and Seventh grades take the test during the week of October 25, with eighth graders competing the test during the week of November 1. As part of testing preparation, test taking strategies and positive approaches to testing were all discussed with the students. Since parents are a valuable component in testing preparation, parents/guardians also received a booklet including sample test items and a brief discussion on the ITBS. Thank you to parents that supported the nutritious snack breaks during the testing sessions.

## Athletic Events

Our middle school sport teams have completed a busy fall season. Thirty-two seventh and eighth grade students participated in volleyball and thirty-six in football. Seventh and eighth grade students will have the opportunity to participate in basketball. All students are encouraged to participate in our sports activity program. Students, watch for announcements encouraging involvement in the upcoming winter sports season.

## Parent/Student/

### Advisor Conferences

Parent/Student/Advisor Conferences will be held on November 11 and 12. Students will receive information on scheduling the specific conference time so please look for this the first part of November. NUMS believes in student-led conferences so the student will be actively involved in the conference. Students ARE to attend the conference with their parent/guardian.

## Email Communication

Middle School grade-level teams are gathering parent's e-mail addresses to use as one communication tool. If you have recently acquired or changed your e-mail address please send a message to the following teachers —

6th grade parents to:  
Vicki.Oleson@uni.edu

7th grade parents to:  
Lyn.Countryman@uni.edu

8th grade parents to:  
Linda.Grabber@uni.edu

— *Nadene Davidson,*  
*Middle School Coordinator*

## PLS Prints

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Communication  
Center

A hand-colored or black and white mezzotint print of Price Laboratory School, produced by Lynn Dykstra, is now available for purchase from the PLS Communication Center. Over 75 copies of the print have been purchased by PLS faculty, students and alumni. The print is \$15.00 (unframed) and may be ordered by calling the Communication Center at 273-2575. A copy of the print, which has been beautifully matted and framed by Bev Schomaker, is displayed in the Communication Center for your viewing.



## Recycle Inkjet Cartridges and Save \$ for PTP

The Communication Center is continuing to serve as a drop-off center for empty inkjet cartridges. For the past couple years we have been returning empty cartridges to a recycling company for refund. To date, we have received refunds totaling \$629.25. The money has been deposited into the PTP account.

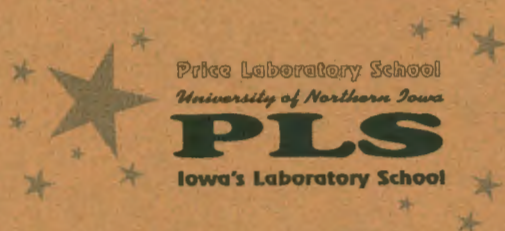
If you are interested in donating your empty inkjet cartridges from home or business to Price Lab, you may drop them off in the Communication Center, room 143. Thank you for your assistance.





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## Hand Washing is Still the Most Effective Way to Reduce Illness



Everyone should wash their hands before eating, after using the bathroom or anytime their hands are dirty. Why don't more of us do this all the time? For many, it may be difficult to believe in the presence of germs we cannot see. Perhaps it is because we have heard about it "forever" or it seems too simple to be effective. For whatever reasons, many of us do not always incorporate it into our daily lifestyle

habits. It is important to know that if we do not teach our children about the importance of hand washing, or do it ourselves, it is going to cost us more in sick days and increased medical visits.

In addition, a research study found that hand washing programs in schools reduced absenteeism among elementary students who washed their hands four times a day by 23 percent. In another study published in the *Annals of Internal Medicine*, urine was reported cultured in bowls of unwrapped candy mints at a number of restaurants. The cause was probably a lack of hand washing after people used the restroom.

We should also teach our children not to put their fingers in their mouth, nose or eyes as germs that are present on their hands may come in contact with their mucus membranes and potentially infect them. Warm water, soap, friction and good rinsing are the components of effective hand washing. Let's remind our children over and over to wash their hands, and be good role models by developing the habit of regular hand washing ourselves.

— Dody Olson, Health Office

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